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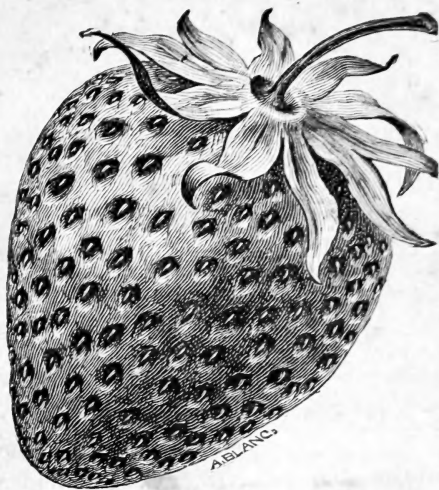
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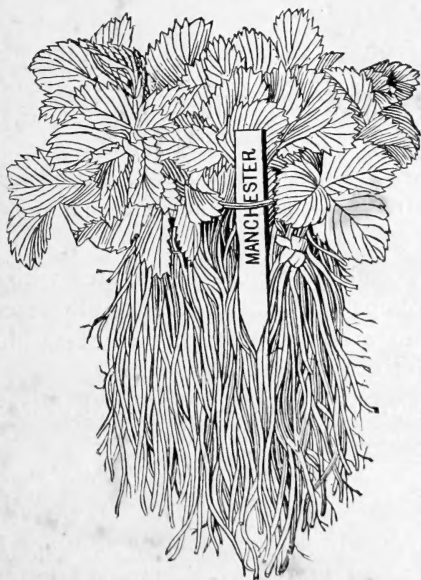
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CHOICE STRAWBERRY PLANTS



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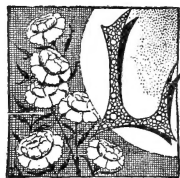
W. F. ALLEN, JR.,

SALISBURY,

MARYLAND.

## To My Patrons.

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LIKE THE good deacon who rose to speak in meeting, I want to say a few words before I begin. I request you to read this catalogue through carefully before asking any questions. You may save yourselves some postage and me some unnecessary correspondence by doing so.


I have gained my present custom by sending good plants, true to name, liberally counted, well packed, and warranted to reach their destination in safety. This year I have a finer stock than ever before. During the past season I have discovered what I consider to be perfection in packing plants to be sent by express.


I grow no other stock except strawberry plants, and grow them for the plants and not for fruit. In short, the growing of strawberry plants for sale at wholesale and retail is my business, and I feel confident that I can give better satisfaction than growers who make them of secondary importance. It is my sincere wish that every transaction should be to the advantage of the buyer as truly as to myself.

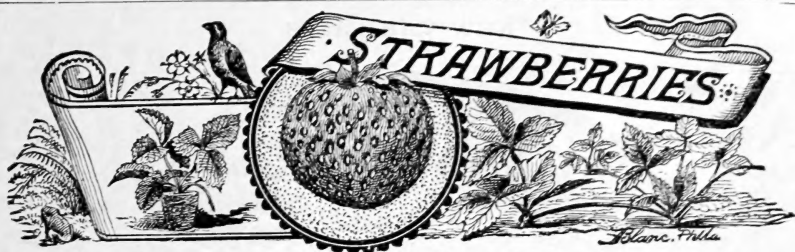
I commence to fill orders just as soon as we can dig plants in the spring and all possible haste is made in getting them off. My customers are never more anxious to get their plants than I am to send them, but I never have plants taken up in the fall and kept over to fill early orders. They are taken up when wanted and not before. Nor are we hindered in filling orders by handling other nursery stock. The strawberry is the one thing claiming our attention in the spring.

My shipping facilities are very good. I have special rates with the United States and Adams Express companies, and will ship by these companies unless otherwise directed. In ordering plants by express, please name the company by which you wish them shipped.

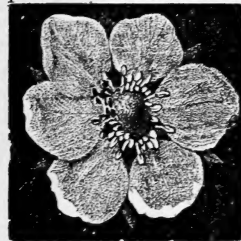
Remit by *money order* on Salisbury, Md., by *registered letter*, by *check*, or by *express*; *postage stamps* taken for fractional parts of a dollar.

 *All who receive this catalogue are requested to send me the names of any friends or neighbors who would be interested in it, that I may send them copies.*

 All who favor me with orders this spring may expect my July report next summer. It will contain an account of from 80 to 90 varieties—some not yet introduced and give valuable information that you are not likely to get elsewhere for some time to come.

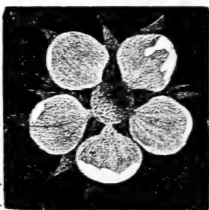


It is a great satisfaction to me to be able to offer to progressive horticulturists such a valuable collection of strawberries as I have described in this little book. There is no doubt in my mind about its being the best list ever offered. The new ones have been collected from experienced growers who have high standards and know what to aim for, and the most of them are offered at prices so reasonable as to be within the reach of all. Every person who buys a new berry takes some risk, but there are thousands of people in the country who are willing to invest a few dollars a year in the new varieties in order to be intelligent in their work, to keep up with the times, and to be among the first to get a good thing that may pay them for a score of disappointments. It is part of my business to collect the new and desirable sorts from all parts of the country. From these I raise strong, healthy plants, and send them to my customers well packed, and guaranteed to reach their destination in good condition. By knowing where to get these new varieties, by buying them in large numbers, and by understanding how to make them grow and increase, I make some profit on them.



BI-SEXUAL, OR PERFECT.

The blossoms of all varieties are bisexual or perfect, except those marked with the letter **P**, which are destitute of stamens and are termed pistillate or imperfect, as shown by the following figures. Pistillate varieties must have a row of a perfect-flowered sort, planted every nine or twelve feet apart among them, or, better yet, every third or fourth row, to pollinize their blossoms. When properly fertilized the pistillate varieties are the most



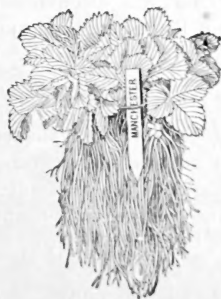
**PISTILLATE, OR IMPERFECT** prolific; and there is no reason for any prejudice against them.

Success depends in a great measure on getting fine, healthy plants, *strictly pure and true to name*. This we *know* our plants to be.

In shipping plants, we send out none but young plants, as shown at Fig. 454, grown under the so-called "pedigree system." We never send out old plants. When grown on deep, black soil the roots of young plants are of a dark color, but soft, succulent and nearly uniform in size and appearance, as shown by the figure just referred to. With old plants, the lower roots are black, dead and wiry, with generally a few young roots just below where the leaves are joined to the crown, as shown in Fig. 456. We clean all plants of dead leaves and tie in bunches (Fig. 455) before packing. To ship long distances in good condition, and to overcome the danger of damage in shipment we pack large lots in cases designed and manufactured expressly for the purpose.



YOUNG PLANT. Fig. 454.



PLANTS BUNCHED. Fig. 455.



OLD PLANT. Fig. 456.

## NEW VARIETIES.

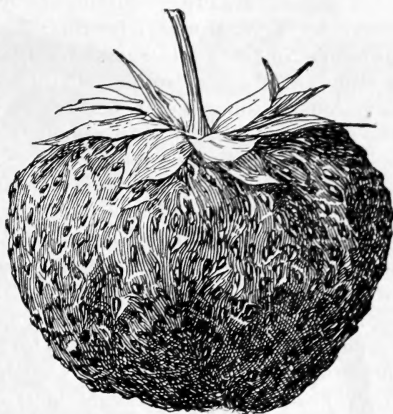


**Lovett's Early** was a chance seedling (believed to have descended from the Crescent crossed with the Wilson) that was discovered in Kentucky in 1885, near the place of origin of Charles Downing, Kentucky and Downer's Prolific. Both in Kentucky and New Jersey the variety has been tested by the side of all the best varieties in cultivation, upon poor soil and without fertilizers, and in every instance it has given results surpassing by far all others, responding to good soil and culture as generously as any variety I know. In earliness it is second only to Crystal City (that little extra early sort being but two or three days in advance of it), and in productiveness it excels all other varieties I have ever fruited, and succeeds everywhere, even upon poor, light land. I do not claim for it mammoth size, but that it is above medium, averaging large and very uniform, holding its size to the close of the season better than other varieties—by reason of its foliage maintaining perfect health and vigor until all berries have ripened. The berries color all over at once, never with a green tip; seldom illshaped and never coxcombed.



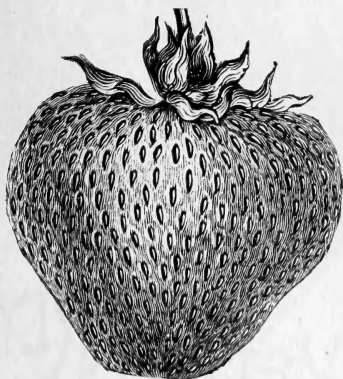
**Beebe.**—Is supposed to be a seedling of Miner's Prolific, produced by Mr. E. P. Beebe, of Union County, N. J. The plant is a heavier and stronger grower than the Miner and resembles it only in the form of the leaf and its freedom from disease, being invariably clean, bright and beautiful. Its berries are unlike the Miner in color, being bright scarlet-crimson, are uniformly very large, produced in greater profusion even than its supposed parent, and possesses the same mild, rich pleasant flavor. Its defect, if it may be termed one, lies in its excessive yield.

**Clark's Early.**—Comes from Oregon, and from what I have seen of it I feel very much impressed that it will prove a valuable acquisition. It makes strong healthy plants as large as Bubach No. 5, with never a trace of rust; leaves lay close to the ground and keep remarkably green during winter. I consider this very promising. It is claimed to be early; has not yet fruited here.



BEEBE.

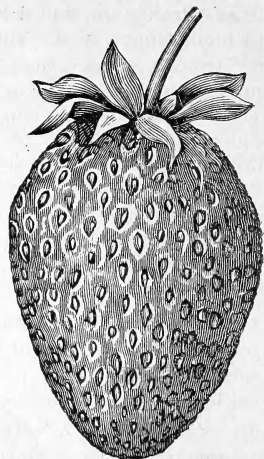
**Middlefield.**—Plants received last spring have made a fine growth of large, light green foliage; has not yet fruited here. Isaac C. Rogers speaks of it as follows: "The plant is strong and healthy, and produces runners freely. The blossoms are pistillate; the season medium. The fruit is large and quite regular in form and size, berries are nearly conical. Our cut is a correct representation. The fruit is quite firm, solid, and a good shipper; color, a dark glossy crimson, which gives it a brilliancy and attractiveness that few varieties possess. The flesh crimson clear enough. The berries color all over (no green tips). As the berries ripen they first turn to glossy scarlet and deepen in color to crimson as they approach maturity. In quality it is a favorite with berry customers. It is productive and profitable."



MIDDLEFIELD.

**Martha.**—This is a market berry, originated by Wm. Lyons, of Minnesota, and named for his daughter. It was grown from mixed seed of the Cumberland, Countess and Wilson, and is supposed to be a seedling of the latter. It is the only variety saved from many thousand seedlings. It has been tested about ten years, and is now offered for the first time. I have fruited it under various conditions, and know it to be a variety of decided character. It has been grown by the acre in Minnesota, and pronounced the most profitable of all. In both plant and fruit it resembles the Wilson, and might be taken for that variety; but the blossoms are pistillate, and the flesh of the berry is thought to be redder than that of any other sort. The plant is remarkably healthy and vigorous. Its roots extend to a great depth, enabling it to endure drouth and hard treatment equally with the Crescent.

**Parker Earle.**—"Produced by J. Nimon, in 1886, from seed of Crescent grown by T. V. Munson, fertilized by pollen of T. V. Munson's No. 3, a remarkably robust, large, handsome seedling of Miner's Prolific. Plant very robust, with numerous, strong, deeply penetrating roots, free from disease, a model in make-up, renewing itself abundantly by strong runners of medium length; endures the long, hot, dry summers of Texas remarkably well, and in Michigan and New York, with T. T. Lyon and E. S. Carman, it endured the winter's cold equally with any other variety. It is enormously productive, having for two years in succession, at Denison, Texas, on the same bed, in light sandy soil, fully developed a crop at the rate of over 15,000 quarts to the acre."—T. V. MUNSON, *the Introducer*.

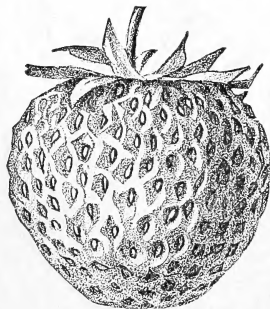


This was far the most productive variety on the place. It was quite late in blooming, and was but little injured by the frost. The color and shape are beautiful, and the quality is better than the average. I have heard a good many reports of this variety, and all are very favorable. It seems to do well everywhere. It sends out but a moderate number of runners, and will not be cheap and common for some time.—M. CRAWFORD.

At the Peninsula Plant and Truck Farm it has proven quite a success and bears out the introducers claims for it.

**Bessie.**—This wonderful variety is a seedling of the Crescent. The plant is very vigorous in growth and has never shown any signs of rust. The foliage is large and dark green, and when in bloom is a wonder to behold and would be an ornament to any garden. The immense number of white blossoms make quite a contrast with the dark green foliage. In productiveness it is excelled by none. Fruit is medium to large of a beautiful glossy crimson its glossiness being retained even when over-ripe. It is very firm making it a first-class shipper. Quality of the best, making it a fine table berry. It will do well under ordinary culture but as it is a strong grower making large stools it will pay to give it the best attention. Too much cannot be said in its praise, in fact a few words tell the whole story viz: Very productive, early, firm, healthy, and vigorous growth, beautiful color, good shape, and best quality, and needs no petting to get a large crop.—*The Introducer*.

**Westbrook.**—With me is a healthy and vigorous grower but has not fruited yet. Chas. Wright of Seaford, Delaware, writes as follows. Fruited only on spring set plants. Is a pistillate, good grower, firm; promises to be productive. It is undoubtedly extra early, for the plants ripen berries nearly as soon as Stevens. The blossom being pistillate, it blooms later and is more apt to escape late frost than any other extra early variety yet tested.



THE WESTBROOK.

P. J. Berckmans, President American Pomological Society of Augusta, Georgia, reports as follows: *Westbrook*. Stamens few and small, and will therefore require an impregnating variety. Size, above medium; shape, globular; color, deep red; flesh, dark red and firm; flavor, slightly sub-acid; quality, good; season, very early; production, prolific if planted near a staminate variety; foliage healthy, robust and free grower, of the scarlet type; fruit produced in clusters, and upon large fruit stalk. Merits—extreme earliness and colors evenly. This variety originated in Guilford



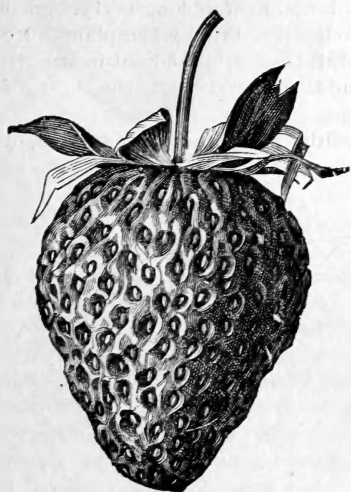
county, North Carolina, and is there cultivated extensively for northern markets. Also is taking the lead near Norfolk, Va. Fruited this one year only. I have many new varieties, but above are the most promising.

From a letter addressed to S. S. Darmon, a leading Commission Merchant of Philadelphia, I have the following:

W. F. ALLEN, JR., Salisbury, Md. Dear Sir. Yours of the 12th to hand and contents noted. We have sold quite a number of the Westbrook strawberry last year, some as high as \$1.00 per quart. They present a very nice appearance and are very good carriers. In our opinion they stand a very long journey better than any berry that comes to this market. Their appearance adds very much to their selling qualities, their flavor is also very good. We consider them upon the whole a very good berry for Northern markets. Yours Truly,

S. S. DARMON.

**Belle of Lacrosse.**—With me this makes a vigorous and healthy growth and looks promising, but has not fruited here yet. John A. Salzer of Lacrosse, Wis., says of it. This is a seedling. It is the finest and most prolific berry we know. It is hardy as an oak; it is the coming berry for home use and for market, on a two year old plant at our Horticultural Exhibit there were 142 berries. I. A. Wooll of Elsie, Michigan, writes of it. Originated in Wisconsin, and said to be very productive and our experience corroborates the statement. Plant exceedingly productive and vigorous, fruit large. We would heartily recommend it for trial. Berries large and showy and of good quality.



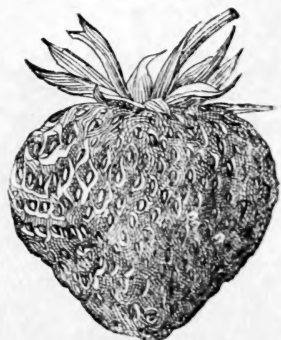
BELLE OF LACROSSE.

good berry, dark red very solid and productive.

**Alabama.**—Another grand, early berry that has come to stay; a rank grower, throwing up a strong fruit-stalk, which holds its fruit up off the ground; drought does not seem to affect it; moderately productive; fruit glossy bright red—looks as if varnished; of large size and firm; will ship any distance.

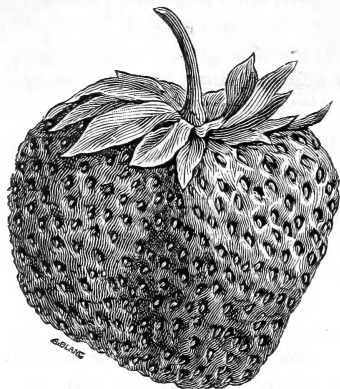
**Price Seedling.**—This new strawberry comes to us from North Carolina. Our friends there say that it is a noble sort worthy of attention to all lovers of strawberries. It has done remarkably well with us, both in plant and fruit, and it must be remembered that no strawberry can be profitable unless its leaves are vigorous and healthy. We see every evidence of a successful variety in Price Seedling. The fruit is glossy scarlet, elongated, with shining waxy neck. The quality is superb. We advise our friends to test this new candidate.

**Stevens.**—This is a good berry for early market, being *productive very early* and very *solid*. Charles Wright of Sussex Co., Delaware, describes it thus. Ripened its first berries 1st of May notwithstanding it was planted on the northwest side of a woods, being twelve days ahead of Crescent in same field. It seems to be the earliest



THE ALABAMA.

**Lady Rusk**, with me is a very fine grower, in fact all that could be desired in plant growth. Have only fruited it on spring set plants, the fruit was very firm, but could not say anything definite as to size and productiveness until further tested.



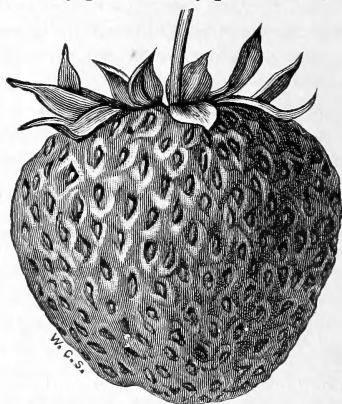
L. J. Farmer, of Pulaski, N. Y., writes of it: The firmest berry grown, having been shipped safely to Winnipeg, Canada, 1000 miles; arriving in good condition. The plants are very vigorous and free from rust equalling the Crescent in productiveness. Highly recommended by leading authorities. Several days earlier than the Crescent.

Daniel Wyss, of New Philadelphia, Ohio, says: This is the ideal large, firm oblong berry, good quality, very productive, often when plants are not crowded, they will produce 30 to 60 berries each; all ripen and hold out in size till last of season. This variety proves of great value to us, early and the best of shippers.

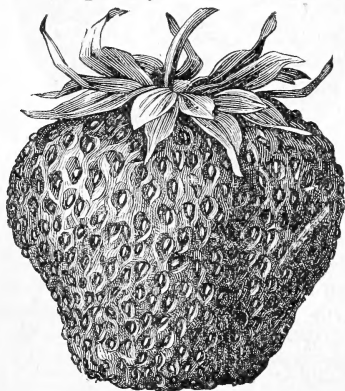
**Tippecanoe**.—With me is a vigorous and healthy plant, fairly productive, of large firm berries, of fine form and color.

L. J. Farmer says: Plant hardy, beautiful foliage and free runner. Fruit very large and beautiful; globe-shaped, sometimes flattened; flavor rich and delicious; remarkably productive; stands drouth well owing to its immense roots. Highly recommended at home.

Daniel Wyss writes: For some reason I was slow to place confidence in this variety. I have been, however, agreeably surprised by its behavior. It did not stand frost so well as some other varieties, but the fruit was very large, fine shape, and of excellent quality. This is a good variety for the garden or for the amateur.



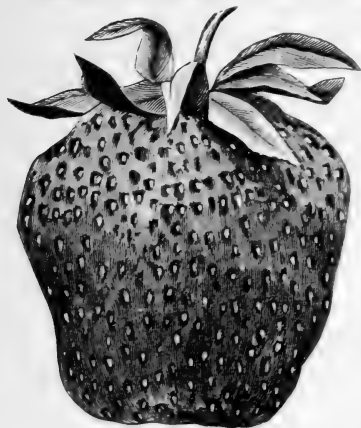
**Edgar Queen**.—This is the result of a lifetime devoted to improving the strawberry. The originator selected this as the very best from a lot of 5000 plants grown from the seed. It is unrivaled as a plant producer and equals Crescent in productiveness. Probably the most beautiful berry ever raised. The originator selected berries over 2½ inches in diameter, 16 of which filled a quart basket and weighed one pound. Bubach was introduced at \$5 per doz. and paid everybody who purchased at that price. Edgar Queen is said to be more valuable. Season earlier than Crescent.



J T. Lovett writes in July No. of *Orchard and Garden*: Edgar Queen is all right in everything except its name. It is a sort of glorified Sharpless, resembling that variety very closely in both

plant and fruit, but it has a pistillate blossom and yields fully double the quantity of fruit of the Sharpless.

**Mrs. Cleveland** is one of the finest growers I ever saw, always making large, vigorous and healthy plants. Has not fruited here yet.



John Little, of Granton, Ont., says: Both plant and fruit are faultless.

Chas. Wright, of Sussex Co., Del., says: Mrs. Cleveland is a strong grower, large size, very pretty (like the fair one for whom it is named), and promises to rival Bubach.

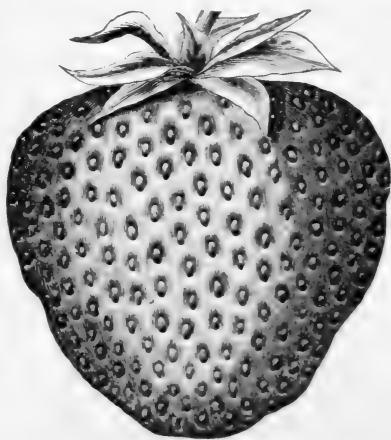
The following is what the originator says: This plant was produced from seed sown about the middle of July, 1883. It denotes Cumberland parentage. A mixture of several varieties was sown together, among which was Cumberland.

It is a very large berry, vigorous stock, healthy plant; fruited the next June and every season

since, bearing large, uniform berries of excellent shape and quality: color scarlet and very attractive; pistillate blossom; withstands heat and drouth admirably well. It was exhibited at Montgomery Horticultural Society, Ohio, June 2, 1886, and reported as quite promising. Its intended name was Mrs. Garfield. Mr. N. H. Albaugh moved that, as there was a Mrs. Garfield strawberry, this seedling be named Mrs. Cleveland (if it be not too previous) in honor of the estimable lady which the President weds this day. It originated with Mr. Geo. Townsend, of Darke Co., Ohio.

**Crawford.**—Originated by and named after Matthew Crawford, of Ohio, who holds an enviable reputation as a strawberry expert; and I am sure Mr. Crawford would never allow it sent out did it not possess desirable qualities. He thus describes it: "The plant is very large and stalky, dark green, and free from defects. It has a perfect blossom and is a good bearer. The fruit is large to very large, somewhat irregular at first, but never coxcombed. Color bright, glossy red, and lighter within. The flesh is firm and of excellent quality, one of the best. It produces a good number of strong runners, and is a variety of decided character."

With me the Crawford is a fine berry, large, firm, and of good quality, it is also a sturdy and healthy grower, but will not do on poor sandy soil.



**Haverland.**—This variety is creating quite a stir among strawberry growers on account of its great productiveness, quite equaling the Crescent in yield, nearly as large as Bubach No. 5. The plant is a very vigorous grower. It bids fair to be a fine shipping variety, and, as it is very large, will command good prices in market for years to come. No one will ever regret planting it. I shall plant largely of it for market, as I believe it to be one of the most profitable varieties in cultivation.



GREAT PACIFIC. Much reduced.

**Great Pacific.**—Is I believe a valuable market berry; vigorous in growth; berries large size; very productive and solid, in growth and habit very much like Haverland, but darker in color both foliage and fruit. A valuable variety.

Dr. J. Stayman says: This is one of the best, large, productive and a strong grower. It did well this season by the side of many others that failed.

J. E. Mertz, of Ohio, writes: Great Pacific produced a fine crop of splendid fruits, and is one of the most promising of the new sorts.

Geo. J. Kellogg, of Wisconsin, reports that: Great Pacific is late, vigorous, healthy, firm, large, and very promising.

Daniel Wyss says: Great Pacific is one of the most luxuriant plants on our grounds. Berry large size, a most abundant bearer of fine fruit; very firm; withstands late spring frosts remarkably well, therefore quite valuable.

**Stayman No. 1.**—Is a very fine grower, but has not yet fruited here. The originator speaks of it as follows: Stayman No. 1 so far, stands at the head of the list this season, as usual. We commenced picking it a few days after Crescent, and

continued picking it up to almost the last; neither rotted or failed in any way when properly fertilized. It is a large, bright berry that ships and sells well, and fine in quality. We have not yet heard an unfavorable report from it.

**Michel's Early.**—*Reports after another season's fruiting.* After another season's fruiting at The Peninsula Plant and Truck Farm, I am convinced that Michel's Early is the best early berry we have. All who have seen it in fruit on my place were convinced that it is, without doubt, the best early berry in general cultivation.

W. F. ALLEN, Jr.

OTHERS SPEAK OF IT AS FOLLOWS:

SALISBURY, MD., Aug. 1, 1891.—W. F. ALLEN, Jr.,

Dear Sir: With regard to Michel's Early strawberry, I would say that I like it very much. The 500 plants I got from you, although set late in the spring of '90, bore well this season. *They were the earliest to ripen* and the

most prolific bearers of all the varieties I had in cultivation except one, even beating the Crescent. I had no complaints as to its carrying qualities, although my berries when shipped were full ripe. The berries are a beautiful light pink and are very attractive in appearance and command good prices. I shall set largely of it, as the only objection I can conceive to it is its early blossoming. Blooming, as it does, with the Wilson, it is the berry to use in fruiting pistillate varieties, being a strong bearer of perfect flowers. Yours, GEO. W. BELL.

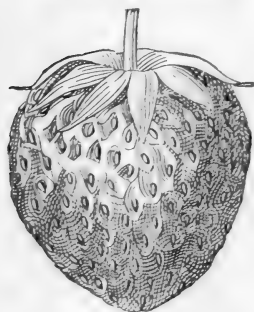
W. K. TIPTON, secretary Arkansas State Horticultural Society, speaks of it as follows: "Of the new strawberries tested by us, the Michel's Early is the most important. In our grounds this new variety is first to ripen and much more productive than any of the very early varieties we have tested. It is of medium size, good quality, firm, an excellent shipper, a strong grower, roots deeply and stands drought remarkably well. We regard it as a valuable kind for market or home use. We have fruited it two seasons on bottom lands and uplands. It succeeds well here on all soils where grown."

P. K. BERCKMANS, president American Pomological Society, writes of it: "Size medium; shape, regular; color, dark red; flesh, firm; flavor, subacid and perfumed, quality, good to very good; productive, very prolific; season, *very early*; foliage, healthy, and a free grower; merits, *extreme earliness*, colors evenly and *stands shipping well*. Have cultivated this variety two years."

J. T. LOVETT, of Little Silver, N. J., speaks of it in the *Rural New Yorker* as follows: "Michel's Early is the earliest; ripens its entire crop the earliest of any variety I have yet fruited, and the berries are of fair size."

A. J. ALLEN, of Allen, Md., writes: "In regards to the Michel's Early strawberry, will say that I think it is a No. 1 variety, an extra good grower, making solid beds on land where many other varieties would fail to grow; and as to their firmness I have no fault to find, as I have shipped them to New York and to Boston every day during their season, and never had a single complaint, but invariably received fair prices compared with other stock. One great peculiarity about them is they hold up in size the best of any variety I know of, and, if growers will only keep them picked up clean, they will have no trouble with the Michel's Early."

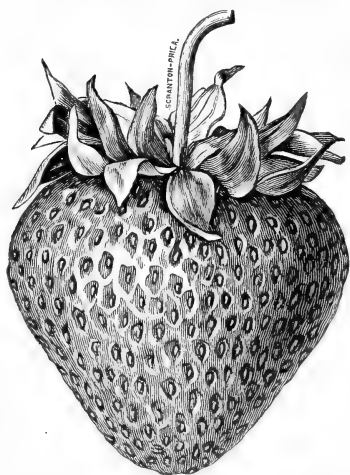
N. B.—Mr. A. J. Allen has been an extensive berry grower for twenty years and has tested most of the new varieties. With this experience he is able to know a good variety when he sees it.



**Bubach No. 5** is a beauty; such large berries and so many of them, I'm about sure, were never seen on any other variety. I consider it the most profitable of all the late varieties. Last season our first shipment of Bubach No. 5 was made on May 24th to New York and sold for 25 cents per quart while strawberries generally brought 10 and 12. Bubach No. 5 averaged over 15 cents the season through.

T. J. Dwyer in *American Agriculturist* says: This variety has taken a prominent position in strawberry culture, in most cases taking the place of the Sharpless, which it resembles in shape and color, but it is fully double as productive as that variety. This berry is a wonder in its season of fruit, completely covering the ground about the plants with large berries. The Bubach is a strictly pistillate variety and needs to be well fertilized with some perfect-flowering kind. The fruit is large and irregular in shape, holding out quite large until the last picking. The flavor is ordinarily good.

**GANDY.**—I have fruited this variety and find it to be a valuable late sort. The favorite late variety with fruit growers all over the country. By its use the season of strawberries is extended by nearly two weeks. Among all the new varieties of the past few years there is none that has so run the gauntlet of public opinion or so quickly become a leading popular sort. The berries are of large, uniform size and shape, of bright crimson color, very handsome and showy, of superior quality, very firm, and ripen two weeks after Sharpless. As a market berry it has no equal; its very large size, striking beauty, exceeding firmness, excellent quality, and lateness, make it, beyond all question, a most profitable berry. It is so late that it does not begin to get ripe until almost all others are done. For the home table it is equally valuable, its fine quality, beauty and size rendering it a universal favorite.



T. J. Dwyer says in *American Agriculturist*: That Gandy is the best late strawberry in cultivation, furnishing abundant pickings up to and after July 4. It is a staminate variety, a strong, vigorous, compact grower, productive of large, regular-sized, handsome berries, nearly round in shape, of a beautiful red color, and one of the best-flavored late berries in cultivation. It may be confidently recommended to all in search of a good late berry either for home use or for market.

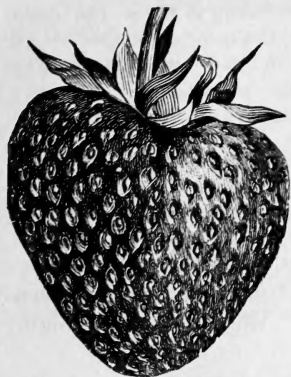
**Warfield No. 2.**—We might call this a magnified Wilson, and a magnificent one besides. It is a great producer of plants, with healthy foliage, and plenty of large fruit which has some of the characteristics of the Wilson in appearance, flavor and texture.

**Eureka** has had many glowing accounts written of it but with me it has not proved valuable. It bears some very fine specimens but is only moderately productive and is too soft for anything.

**Pearl** is a very good early variety ripening as it does between the very early varieties and Wilson, Crescent, etc; it is a valuable market berry, perfect form, dark red and firm.



**May King.**—A seedling of the Crescent, perfect blossom. Plant vigorous and healthy, with fruit globular, medium in size, bright scarlet color, firm and of excellent quality. One of the best of the standard early sorts and valuable for market. Only moderately productive.



MAY KING.

Hoffman, Wilson, Sharpless and Crescent are too well known to need description.

**Cloud Seedling** does well at some places while at others it seems to be a failure.

*Viola, Miami, Felton, Florence, Hulbert, Jessie, Itaska, Mammoth, Daisy* have been discarded as not worthy of cultivation.


☞ July next I shall issue a report on 80 to 90 varieties new and old. This will be mailed to all customers free and to all others on receipt of 2c. stamp.

## PRICE LIST.

☞ Plants at dozen rates will be sent by mail, postpaid. When 100 or more plants are to go by mail, add 20 cents per 100 for postage. This is often cheaper on small orders to distant customers than to have plants go by express.

	12	100	1000
Alabama.....	\$ 35	\$ 1 00	\$ 6 00
Beebe.....	2 00	10 00	75 00
Bessie, P.....	75	3 00	
Belle of Lacrosse, P.....	40	1 25	10 00
Bubach No. 5, P.....	20	50	3 00
Cloud, P.....	15	30	2 00
Clark's Early.....	75	3 00	25 00
Crawford.....	20	50	4 00
Crescent, P.....	15	30	2 00
Edgar Queen, P.....	20	50	4 00
Eureka, P.....	20	50	
Gandy.....	20	50	3 50
Great Pacific, P.....	25	75	5 00
Haverland, P.....	20	50	4 00
Hoffman.....	15	40	3 00
Lady Rusk, P.....	15	50	3 50
Lovett's Early.....	75	2 50	20 00
Martha, P.....	75	2 50	
May King.....	15	30	2 00
Michel's Early.....	15	40	2 50
Middlefield, P.....	1 00	3 00	25 00
Mrs. Cleveland, P.....	20	50	4 00
Pearl.....	15	40	3 00
Parker Earle.....	60	2 00	15 00
Price Seedling.....	25	75	5 00
Sharpless.....	15	30	2 50
Stevens.....	40	1 25	10 00
Stayman's No. 1, P.....	25	75	5 00
Tippecanoe.....	20	75	6 00
Westbrook, P.....	20	75	5 00
Warfield, P.....	15	40	3 00
Wilson ( <i>Albany</i> ).....	15	30	2 50

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS.

 Last year I offered a number of collections which proved so popular that I have thought best to again offer a series of collections in which will be found many valuable new varieties. BY MAIL *postpaid*.

**Collection A.**—12 Edgar Queen, 12 Gt. Pacific, 12 Lady Rusk, 12 Mrs. Cleveland, 12 Westbrook, 12 Tippecanoe for \$1.00.

**Collection B.**—12 Bubach No. 5, 12 Crawford, 12 Gandy, 12 Michel's Early, 12 Alabama, 12 Westbrook for \$1.00.

**Collection C.**—6 Lovett's Early, 6 Martha, 6 Parker Earle, 6 Belle of Lacrosse for \$1.00.

**Collection D.**—6 Clark's Early, 6 Bessie, and 6 Middlefield for \$1.00.

**Collection E.**—12 Lovett's Early, 12 Martha, 12 Bessie, 12 Alabama for \$2.00.

**Collection F.**—12 Gt. Pacific, 12 Mrs. Cleveland, 12 Lady Rusk, 12 Westbrook, 12 Price Seedling, 12 Stevens, 12 Alabama, 6 Lovett's Early, 6 Clark's Early, 6 Belle of Lacrosse, 6 Parker Earle all for \$2.50.

### BY EXPRESS, RECEIVER TO PAY CHARGES.

**Collection G.**—50 Edgar Queen, 50 Crawford, 50 Mrs. Cleveland, 50 Michel's Early, 50 Westbrook, for \$1.00.

**Collection H.**—50 Gt. Pacific, 50 Alabama, 50 Gandy, 50 Lady Rusk, for \$1.00.


**Collection I.**—50 Edgar Queen, 50 Crawford, 50 Gandy, 50 Mrs. Cleveland, 50 Michel's Early, 50 Westbrook, 50 Gt. Pacific, 50 Lady Rusk, 50 Bubach No. 5 for \$2.00.

**Collection J.**—25 Alabama, 25 Belle of Lacrosse, 25 Lovett's Early, 25 Parker Earle, 25 Tippecanoe, 25 Westbrook, 25 Mrs. Cleveland, 25 Lady Rusk, for \$2.00.


**Collection K.**—100 Bubach No. 5, 100 Crawford, 100 Mrs. Cleveland, 100 Gandy, 100 Lady Rusk for \$2.00.

**Collection L.**—100 Michel's Early, 100 Westbrook, 100 Bubach No. 5, 100 Crawford, 100 Lady Rusk, 100 Gandy, 100 Edgar Queen, 100 Mrs. Cleveland, 100 Gt. Pacific, 100 Tippecanoe all for \$5.00.

**Collection M.**—50 Alabama, 50 Clark's Early, 50 Lovett's Early, 50 Parker Earle, 50 Westbrook, 50 Price Seedling, 50 Gt. Pacific, 50 Lady Rusk for \$5.00.

 When ordering the above Collections, please order by the letters A, B, C, D, etc.

## TESTIMONIALS.

 Below I present a few of the many testimonials that I am continually receiving from all parts of the country:

ADAMS CO., ILL., April 11th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The strawberry plants received from you by mail, after a journey of 1000 miles, came promptly to hand in a No. 1 condition. I cannot see how your packing could be more perfect or the plants scarcely fresher if they had been taken directly from the ground.

Very truly yours,

W. H. MORRIS.

OXFORD CO., MAINE, May 26th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The plants gave excellent satisfaction both as regards quality and quantity. I shall order of you again.

Truly,

S. D. EDWARDS.

YUBA CO., CAL., March 28th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Plants came to hand in fine condition, shall not lose one of them.

JOHN PALMER.

ONTARIO, CANADA, May 26th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: I received plants to-day in good condition and I thank you for sending them so nicely packed.

Yours Truly,

Chas. Corrick.

ALBANY, CO., N. Y., May 11th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Plants received the 8th inst. in good condition. Yours respectfully, ED. OSTRANDER.

WASCO CO., OREGON, April 10th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Your plants reached me to-day in good condition. They are fine plants.

Respectfully,

MRS. D. M. COON.

WORCESTER CO., MASS., April 13th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Your postal was received on the 3rd inst. informing me that you had sent my plants, but they did not get here until the 6th, but were in fine condition and were fine plants.

Very Truly,

B. C. MARSH.

HENDERSON CO., KY., May 20th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Plants received yesterday in splendid condition. Set out immediately, and look after to-days rain as if every one would live. Thanks for generous count.

Truly etc.

W. B. PENTICOST.

HAWKINS CO., TENN., September, 21st, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr.: I received the strawberry plants from you this morning, they are as fresh and nice as if they had not come the long journey. Please accept my thanks for your generosity and your choice of the varieties I wanted most. I am delighted with the number of plants and the excellent condition.

Gratefully,

ANNIE ARMSTRONG.

LOS ANGELES CO., CAL., April 12th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Plants arrived in good condition and were of fair size and strength, your count was quite liberal and prices very reasonable.

Yours truly,

CLINTON B. KELLY.

FAIRFIELD CO., CONN., May 4th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The plants arrived on Saturday, two days after you shipped them, all in first class condition. They were fine plants, and good big numbers, please accept my thanks for sending so promptly, and such fine stock, and condition.

Respectfully yours,

W. H. TAYLOR.

DOUGLAS CO., KAS., April 13th, 1891.—Dear Sir: The strawberry plants were received from you promptly, good plants in excellent condition, and the count was liberal, for all of which please accept thanks.

Very respectfully,

WM. BROWN.

MONONGALIA CO., W. VA., May 11th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Sir: The strawberry plants we ordered from you by express arrived in very good condition, thanks for extras.

Yours Truly,

A. T. and A. H. Hough.

HURON CO., OHIO, April 8th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Strawberry plants arrived in good order, thanks for extras. I am pleased with your way of packing which enables fruit growers to send from a distance and have their plants sent by express, the charges were light.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY MOATS.

ALLEGHANY CO., MD., March 20th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The strawberry plants arrived safely last Monday and were in splendid condition. I am very much pleased with them for they are so nice, many thanks for your prompt attention.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN A. BOPP.

CUMBERLAND CO., N. J., March 25th, 1891: The strawberry plants arrived on the 21st inst. the plants are fine and could not have been better packed for shipment.

Yours respectfully,

D. ROOD.

ORLEANS CO., N. Y., April 14th, 1891.—Sir: The nine dozen strawberry plants were received some days since by mail in fine condition, thanks for liberal count.

Yours respectfully,

JOSIAH PAYNE.

BURLINGTON CO., N. J., April 15th, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Your plants shipped me last week received in first-class order.

Yours respectfully,

WM. R. HAYNES.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., March 9, 1889.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The 1,000 strawberry plants came in fine condition.

Respectfully,

GREEN'S NURSERY CO.

NEW YORK, N. Y., February 5, 1889.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir, Plants were received February 2, 1889, in good order.

Respectfully,

PETER HENDERSON.

NORFOLK COUNTY, VA., April 15, 1889.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Please send 1,000 Jessie strawberry plants. The other plants arrived in good order and were very nice.

Yours,

A. J. TRUITT.

SOMERSET COUNTY, MD., April 14, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The plants were received in good condition, and I must say they were packed and fixed up in the very best shape. I am very much pleased with the Hoffman.

Yours truly,

B. K. GREEN.

CECIL COUNTY, MD., April 20, 1888.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The strawberry plants came duly to hand. Good plants, in good order, and all are set out and doing well. Should I want other articles in your line, shall be pleased to call on you for them.

Yours truly,

JAS. C. BELL.

WEBER COUNTY, UTAH, April 8, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The strawberry plants received in good condition. Am well pleased.

Respectfully,

VICTOR RENO.

SUMMIT COUNTY, O., April 7, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The Tippecanoe plants arrived on Saturday in good order. Thanks.

Yours truly,

M. CRAWFORD.

DENVER, COL., September 19, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The plants came to hand in good shape on the 16th inst. I am well pleased with them; I have never seen finer plants. Please accept my thanks for the extras.

Yours respectfully,

A. TUCK.

ULSTER COUNTY, N. Y., April 22, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: Strawberry plants reached me Friday at 8 P. M; they were nice plants, well packed and liberal count, for which please accept thanks. Will send you another order next spring.

GEO. W. PHILLIPS.

GENEVA, N. Y., April 21, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: I have the pleasure of acknowledging for the station the receipt of plants of Tippecanoe and Michel's Early; plants in good condition.

Yours very respectfully,

PETER COLLIER, Director.

MADISON COUNTY, O., April 14, 1890.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: I write this to acknowledge receipt and express thanks for prompt arrival of plants, all in good condition.

Yours respectfully,

W. D. WOOD.

BUCKS COUNTY, PA., January 8, 1891.—W. F. Allen, Jr., Dear Sir: The strawberry plants were received on the 6th inst. in most excellent condition. They were very fine plants and were packed in a business-like manner.

Very truly,

SAMUEL WILSON.

☞ Could give hundreds of testimonials like the above would time and space permit. Thanking the public for their generous patronage in the past and soliciting a continuance of the same, I am,

Yours faithfully,

W. F. ALLEN, JR.